

New Appointee Joins Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee

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WASHINGTON — The United States Mint is pleased to announce the appointment of Thomas J. Uram to the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC). Mr. Uram fills the vacancy created in 2010 by the expiration of the appointment of Rev. Dr. Richard Meier. Mr. Uram was appointed based on the recommendation of Speaker of the House John Boehner and will serve for a statutory term of four years.

Thomas Uram has 38 years of numismatic experience and substantial leadership experience in numismatic associations. Mr. Uram has been president of the George Washington Numismatic Association since 1998. He joined the American Numismatic Association as a life member in 1974. In addition, Mr. Uram is a member of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, the Central States Numismatic Association, the Florida United Numismatists, the Sphinx Society, the South Hills Coin Club, and the North Hills Coin Club, and is current president and life member of the Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists. Mr. Uram holds a B.A. degree in business administration with a concentration in finance from the University of Kentucky.

The CCAC, established by an Act of Congress in 2003, advises the Secretary of the Treasury on theme or design proposals relating to circulating coinage, bullion coinage, Congressional Gold Medals and other medals produced by the United States Mint. The CCAC also makes commemorative coin recommendations to the Secretary and advises on the events, persons or places to be commemorated, as well as on the mintage levels and proposed designs.

The CCAC is subject to the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury. The United States Mint is responsible for providing necessary and appropriate administrative support, technical services and advice.

The CCAC submits an annual report to Congress and the Secretary of the Treasury, describing its activities and providing recommendations.

The United States Mint was created by Congress in 1792. This year marks the bureau's 220th anniversary. The United States Mint is the Nation's sole manufacturer of legal tender coinage and is responsible for producing circulating coinage for the Nation to conduct its trade and commerce. The United States Mint also produces numismatic products including proof, uncirculated and commemorative coins; Congressional Gold Medals; and silver, gold and platinum bullion coins. The United States Mint's numismatic programs are self-sustaining and operate at no cost to the taxpayer.

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